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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. RE PARA TWO REFTEL, WE LEAVE TO YOUR DISCRETION MANNER AND TIMING OF ANY APPROACH TO BALAGUER RE GODR NEGOTIATING STANCE TOWARD ALCOA. WE WOULD NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA APPEARS BENT ON INFLUENCING AS MANY BAUXITE PRODUCING NATIONS AS POSSIBLE TO FOLLOW ITS LEAD IN THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALUMINUM COMPANIES (YOU WILL BE RECEIVING SEPTTEL RE THEIR LATEST EFFORTS IN SURINAM' AND IT WOULD BE UNCHARACTERISTIC IF DUDLEY THOMPSON--WHO WE UNDERSTAND IS TO BE JAMAICAN REPRESENTATIVE AT PRESIDENT BALAGUER'S INAUGURATION ON AUGUST 16 --DID NOT TRY TO SPREAD THE 'GOSPEL' WITH GODR OFFICIALS DURING HIS STAY IN SANTO DOMINGO.

2. DURING MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS JULY 26, ALCOA'S CHAIRMAN JOHN HARPER EXPRESSED DEEP APPRECIATION
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FOR YOUR AND EMBASSY'S COOPERATIVE, COORDINATED EFFORTS IN

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